

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on the 3rd day of March, 2014 at 4:00 o'clock p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Lynn Campbell, Fred Pooch and Dan Blessing. Absent: None. Others present: Doug Goracke, Mike Davison, Paula Darling, Mayor Wm. Montz Tracy Milke, Bruce Dalluge, Scott Garman, Jim Condon and Ray Kappel.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Pooch, to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2014 regular meeting and the February 18, 2014 special meeting. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Campbell, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Tracy Milke distributed the water/wastewater report and mentioned that Blower No. 3 at the wastewater plant had developed an issue with the soft-start system and that HOA had been contacted. Training options for the wastewater/water operator were tabled until April 2014.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Campbell, to purchase the Raven Process Centrifuge to help water/wastewater employees calculate the percentages of solids in samples taken from the aeration basin at the wastewater treatment plant at a cost of \$1,064. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Jim Condon, of Olsson Associates, informed the Board that he had spoken with Doug Hansen from the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution about changes to their sewer rate structure and Hansen asked that he be given a draft copy of the rate ordinance so he could present it for discussion. As a result Condon and city attorney Dalluge will present it to the Board at the April 2014 meeting and then pass it on to the prison for their consideration.

Doug Goracke explained the proposed changes to the utility employee pay scale with the Board and stated he would continue to research the issue and report to the Board at the April meeting.

Scott Garman addressed the Board regarding the utility deposit for his business and asked if there was any chance that it could be lowered. The Board referred to the policy requiring deposits and denied his request.

Mike Davison distributed the foremen's report for the street department, utilities and the power plant.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Blessing, to recommend the proposed street improvements of 1st and Calhoun streets to the City Council at a cost of \$5,833. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Lynn Campbell

Secretary

Dan Blessing

Chairman